

Hope Canyon camp site of many changes

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Hope Canyon may be getting a face lift, but the real changes are happening in the lives of the work crew doing the job.

In early June, a crew from the Alpine Transition and Employment Center in the Alpine School District began renovating the Hope Canyon Campground located five miles up Squaw Peak road in Provo Canyon.

But as the campground takes on a brighter look, so does the future for the six-member work crew.

"The work teaches them to value themselves and their own abilities when they didn't before because school is such a struggle," said Alberta Hall, transition and employment specialist at the employment center.

The crew consists of disabled youth from high schools across the valley and is part of a summer work program which has been going for about three years, Hall said.

The students are sponsored by the Utah Division of Rehabilitation's Career Guidance Center. The employment center coordinates a summer youth program, Project 10, Hall said. Local school districts are responsible for referring students and providing transportation to Project 10 programs. The program is funded through the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).

"The program wouldn't have worked without the cooperation of all these agencies," she said.

Project 10 emphasizes helping kids with disabilities see themselves as 10s, Hall said. The program has been successful, she says, because the students see they can work and that they are good workers and won't be stuck

on welfare or in a sheltered workshop.

The Forest Service was wary about hiring the group when it was first contacted about four years ago because officials didn't know if the youth could do the

required work, Hall said. So a job coach position was created which alleviated any worries about completing the work.

A job coach accompanies the crew on the job to supervise the work and give any necessary

instruction for completing specific tasks. "That seems to be the key to our success," Hall said.

Job coach Brad Woolstenhulme, of American Fork, said some instruction has been needed on (See CAMP, Page A2)



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Shawn Broadhead, 17, foreground, helps James Wilson, 18, spread gravel at Hope Canyon.

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the job at Hope Campground. The crew has completed leveling the campsites, outlining sites with rocks, building trails and laying more than 50 tons of gravel.

A member of the crew had a hard time understanding what level is or what filled in means, Woolstenhulme said. One way to teach him those concepts was to tie string across the ground that needed leveling and explain when the dirt met the string, it was level.

"They need training on things that you wouldn't normally think about. What is concrete to you and I is pretty abstract to them. But once they get the idea, they're set. So it's important to train them right the first time," he said.

The training seems to have pleased the Forest Service. "They're doing pretty good. They're nice little workers," said Vince Ortega, a Forest Service employee working at the Uinta National Forest.

In addition to learning on-the-job skills, students may learn leadership abilities. One student, Eric Keele, 17, from Lehi, has taken the lead and now works ahead with the crew to find out what the Forest Service supervisor needs next, Hall said.

This is Keele's first year working with the Forest Service.

the group began building a room, however, was never finished. The meeting house, and the bishop's house, to suspend building until the room was completed.

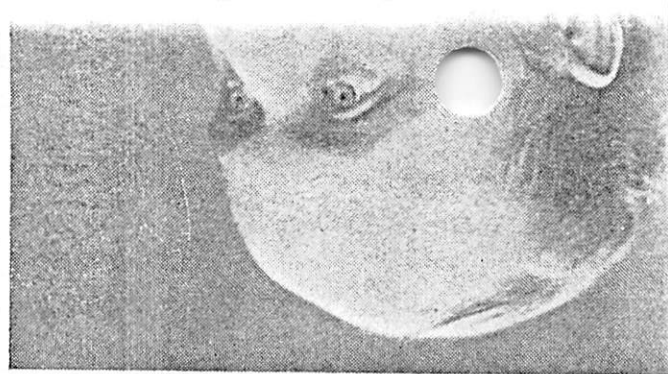
Other communities in the region were forming theater groups, and the circuit between the valley of the Wave noted that in 1889, The Midway Dramatic Society, a performance in Van Wagonet in the *Earl, the Maniac Lover*, and the *Lady*, would be presented. As a result, the Midway Dramatic Society, a

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Area fire crews work to put out a brush fire near Squaw Peak Wednesday. The fire

started at approximately 3 p.m. near a rifle and pistol range several miles from U.S.

189 on Squaw Peak Road. By 8 p.m., firefighters had the blaze under control.

Squaw Peak Fire burns 100 acres

By ED CARTER
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Crews are still putting out hot spots today from a human-caused fire that burned about 100 acres of grass and sagebrush near Squaw Peak Wednesday afternoon.

The fire started at approximately 3 p.m. near a rifle and pistol range several miles from U.S. 189 on Squaw Peak Road. Crews from Utah County, Provo, Orem, Mapleton and Uinta National Forest responded and con-

trolled the fire at 8 p.m. Mop-up work continued into the night and this morning.

No injuries were reported due to the blaze, called the "Squaw Peak Fire." A fire burned approximately the same area three years ago.

Rod Jones, Provo fire chief, said the land burned was entirely on Provo city property. Jones said there was about \$300 worth of damage to a clubhouse on the rifle range.

"Everything went smoothly. We had a lot of agencies up

there," Jones said. "It was a good exercise for us to get prepared for the rest of the season. I'm afraid we're in for a long August unless we get some rain."

Loyal Clark of the National Forest Service said the blaze came within one-half mile of Uinta National Forest land. She said campers at Hope Campground were not threatened and the campground was not evacuated.

However, two dozen marksmen waited several hours in an

unsuccessful attempt to get to the rifle range for the Provo Gun Club's weekly shoot.

Fire crews were aided in extinguishing the fire by Squaw Peak Road. The road allowed water trucks to access the blaze and provided a barrier, although winds of 20 miles per hour fanned the flames on both sides of the road.

Officials fear the spell of hot and dry weather could mean a lot more fires this year.

An investigation into the cause of Wednesday's blaze continues.

Squaw Peak touted as Games venue

Snowmaking machine is tested as Provo Council members Greg Hudnall and Jane Carille go skiing at proposed site near Provo Canyon.



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PROVO — City and county officials have worked quietly the past year developing a proposal

plans to build the venue at Little Dell Reservoir. However, the Little Dell site hasn't needed much sabotaging. The Salt Lake Organizing Committee recently decided to

Games. "This is it. This is the chance we've been asking for," said Lewis Billings, Provo's chief administrator. The site already has the en-

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proposals from Wasatch County, one from Snow Basin, one from Mountain Dell and the Little Dell plan. The organizing committee is likely to select a site by mid-

summer. "We feel like we're well-positioned," Billings said. Officials have installed a weather station on the site to col-

lect data vital to Olympic experts. Last week they conducted snow-

making tests to prove the site meets other criteria crucial to Olympic officials. The north-facing slopes provide good snow pres-

ervation, and the site also falls within the correct altitude guide-

lines. The location would provide an open-trail system, while other sites might have to repeat some trails. Local officials also say the best Peak location provides the best vista, something important to those selling the Olympics to a tele-

vision audience.

"It's pretty tough to beat the view of Mount Timpanogos," Bil-

lings said. The SLOC prefers to keep ven-

ues close to the Olympic Village near the University of Utah. However, the Utah County site, 47 miles away, would provide traffic relief to I-80 in Parleys Canyon. Billings believes the location would be a good distribution of venues between Salt Lake, Park City and Provo.

"It creates a natural triangle," he said.

The biggest obstacle to the Squaw Peak site is that half of the proposed 200-acre venue would be located on Forest Service land. All the facilities would be on city-

owned land, but the trail system would cross federal land.

Local officials have already begun work to obtain a federal special-use permit, which means the site could be subject to some delays. They're already working to identify environmental concerns but doubt any will arise because no water issues are tied to the land. "The Forest Service is very in-

trigued by this proposal," Billings said. If the SLOC selects the Squaw Peak site, it would likely contribute about \$17 million toward construction. However, the venue could cost as much as \$20 million, which means the community would have to raise about \$3 million.

Billings said Utah County residents would support the plan once they realize the legacy it would leave behind. After the 2002 Winter Games are over, Utah County residents could have one of the world's finest Nordic facilities. In the summer, the facility could also be used by joggers, hikers and bik-

ers. Officials would also likely add equestrian facilities. "We see it as a real recreational mecca if we can make it happen," he said.

Officials from Orem and Provo believe the venue would provide another important benefit to Utah County. It could speed up funding to complete the highway widening in Provo Canyon and to begin im-

provements on I-15 and 800 North in Orem.

